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San Bernardino County Woman Sentenced to 41 Months Imprisonment on a Federal Tax Charge

Los Angeles – A San Bernardino County woman who admitted to defrauding the United States government of over \$1.4 million by creating more than 200 false tax returns that claimed tax refunds to which neither she nor the named taxpayer were entitled was sentenced yesterday to 41 months imprisonment.

Tammy J. Ahumada, 48, of Crestline, California was further ordered by United States District Court Judge S. James Otero to pay restitution to the Internal Revenue Service of \$1,414,167.

Ahumada pleaded guilty in August of last year to count 12 of a 44-count indictment charging her with making false claims against the United States government.

In addition to the sentence of 41 months and restitution of \$1,414,167, the Court also ordered the following conditions of supervised release: that Ahumada not prepare federal or state income tax returns for any third parties, other than for herself and her legal spouse; that she shall truthfully and timely file and pay taxes during the period of supervised release or probation; that she will not possess any identification information other than for herself; and that she will show proof to the Probation Officer of compliance with the aforementioned conditions of supervised release.

The investigation of Ahumada was conducted by IRS Criminal Investigation in Los Angeles in conjunction with the Tax Division of the United States Attorney's Office.

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